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IN THE CLAIMS

REMARKS

The Applicant offers further comment on Claim 6 of April 24, 2006, viz:

6. (new) The system as in claim 1, and further comprising other fasteners in a row with the fastener and a second of the fastener within at least 200 mm of the fastener.

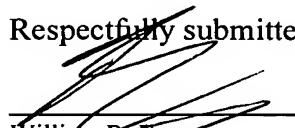
In other words, the system may comprise several fasteners in a row, while it is not necessary for a metallic countersunk washer 3 to be about each fastener, but only about one fastener every 200mm. While there can be a row of fasteners every, for instance 50 mm, the metallic countersunk washer 3 can be placed about only one of those fasteners every 200 mm.

Therefore, Claim 6 could be revised if though clearer to:

6. (currently amended) The system as in claim 1, and further comprising other fasteners in a row of not more than 200 mm with the fastener ~~and a second of the fastener within at least 200 mm of the fastener.~~

The Examiner's courteous consideration is appreciated.

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